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In response to the Communication paper filed by Applicants dated 08/02/2006, a careful review has resulted as follow:

IDS filed on 08/02/2006:

The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 08/02/2006 was filed. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Petition for Correction of Inventorship under 37. C.F.R 1.48(b):

The Petition for correction of inventorship under Rule 37 CFR 1.48(b) filed by Applicants on 08/02/2006 has been received and approved. The application is now forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for correction the inventorship on the file of the application and the Patent to be issued.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dung Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-2297. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Nelms can be reached on 571-272-1782. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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